മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ : അറിയുവാൻവേണ്ടി ചോദിച്ചതാണ്. അല്ലെങ്കിൽ Time table-ന്റെ വേറെ പണം കൊടുക്കണമോ എന്നറിയുവാൻവേണ്ടിയാണ്. (ചിരി)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION—REORGANISATION OF

244. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they have received from the Government of Madras, a copy of the report of the Physical Education in the Madras Presidency ;

(*b*) whether they are aware that in their S.S.L.C. book, the Government of Madras has provided a column that the record of progress of pupils in Physical Education activities has to be entered ;

(*c*) whether such provision has been made in our S.S.L.C. books ;

(*d*) whether marks have to be put for efficiency in Physical Education for the Madras S.S.L.C. ;

(*e*) if the answer to (*b*), (*c*) and (*d*) is in the affirmative, whether the pupils seeking admission for the Madras Intermediate after passing Cochin School Final Examination will have any difficulty to get admission, since the University is the same ;

(*f*) whether Government had any consideration on the Statham Report on Physical Education referred to in (*a*) ;

(*g*) if the answer to (*f*) is in the affirmative, whether Government have taken any action to improve the physical condition of the pupils in our High Schools ;

(*h*) whether they have noted in the *Illustrated Weekly of India*, dated 13th, page 35, a picture of the physical exercises of pupils "Now common in Travancore" and a brief summary of the advancement of Physical Education in the State ;

(*i*) whether Government are aware that the Governments of Madras and Travancore have Special Officers and Advisers for supervising and organising Physical Education in their respective States ;

(*j*) whether our Government is going to reorganise system of Physical Education given to the pupils in the State on the models of Madras and Travancore ?

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Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):*

(*a*) No; but a copy of the Proceedings of the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, issuing instructions in the matter of the improvement of Physical Education in Secondary Schools and Training Schools has been received.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) There will be no difficulty.

(*f*) Government considered the instructions issued by the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

(*g*) No.

(*h*) No.

(*i*) No information.

(*j*) No.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* May I know, Sir, what prevents the Government from embarking upon a programme of giving better physical education for our boys and girls in the High Schools?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* The question of reorganising physical education was considered here even before the Madras Government passed this G.O. But the whole thing was temporarily shipwrecked on the question of finance, and it had for the time being to be deferred.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Was it torpedoed?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* No. It went shipwrecked. It has not been finally abandoned or shelved, but only kept aside for reconsideration when finances improve.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* One of the defects of physical improvement is malnutrition.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Malnutrition is not the result of bad physical education, but bad feeding.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* What I say is, you must feed them properly.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Yes, all that has to be considered.

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Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Did the Government get a report from any officer or non-official with regard to the reorganisation scheme?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* I distinctly remember having received notice of a scheme or temporary scheme from at least one member of this House. I had also called for reports from various bodies which were responsible for physical instruction in Madras and outside the presidency. All these were consulted before drawing up the scheme.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Was any report received from the Secretary of the Cochin Athletic Association?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* I think so.

Mr. A. L. Antony *(Irinjalakkuda):* Are there drill masters in all high schools?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* There are in all boys' high schools.

Mr. A. L. Antony *(Irinjalakkuda):* Are there drill masters in all aided boys' high schools?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Not in all aided schools.

Mr. A. L. Antony *(Irinjalakkuda):* Do the Government consider that there is necessity of having drill masters in all the schools?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Government consider that a better scheme of physicial education would be highly desirable, but when there are so many desirabilities which Government have to liquidate, the question of urgency arises, and instead of launching a new ambitious scheme of physical education they thought it would be much better to allow it to lie over and give immediate attention to more urgent needs.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* May I know, Sir, what are the arrangements made by the Government for the physical education of girls?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* At present we have the usual dances which are far better than the quasi-military drill and gives much better exercise. Then there is the thero-rhythm or *swadeshi* drill wherever we have got trained persons.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Where do the Government send these teachers for training?

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Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction)*: We are sending them to Madras.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: May I know, Sir, whether the Government of Cochin subscribes for the *Illustrated Weekly of India*?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government)*: No, we do not subscribe for it.

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. കെ. നായർ: ഫിസിക്കൽ എഡ്യൂക്കേഷനു ഗവമ്മെണ്ടിന്റെ അടിയന്തിരകായ്ത്തിന്റെ ലിസ്റ്റിൽ എത്രാമത്തെ സ്ഥാനമാണുള്ളതു്?

റാവുസാഹിബ്ബു് ഐ. എൻ. മേനോൻ: ദാരിദ്ര്യംകൊണ്ടു വിദ്യാഭ്യാസത്തിനു ബുദ്ധിമുട്ടുന്ന കുട്ടികൾക്കു് ആദ്യം വേണ്ടതു ഭക്ഷണമാണു്. അതിന്റെ താഴത്തെ സ്ഥാനമാണു്.

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. കെ. നായർ: ഊണിന്റെ കായ്ം അടുത്തകൊല്ലമാകുമല്ലൊ. അതു കഴിഞ്ഞാൽ പിന്നത്തെ സ്ഥാനം വേണ്ടതു ഇതിനുമല്ലെ?

റാവുസാഹിബ്ബു് ഐ. എൻ. മേനോൻ: അതു കഴിഞ്ഞാൽ ഇതും തുടങ്ങും.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. ആർ. ഇയ്യുണ്ണി: മദ്രാസു് വിദ്യാർത്ഥികളിൽ എത്ര ശതമാനത്തിനു മാൽന്യൂട്രീഷൻ ഉണ്ടു്?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction)*: There is a high percentage of malnutrition.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. ആർ. വിശ്വംഭരൻ: ഫിസിക്കൽ എഡ്യൂക്കേഷനു താഴെയുള്ള കായ്ം എന്താണെന്നു പറയാമൊ?

റാവുസാഹിബ്ബു് ഐ. എൻ. മേനോൻ: നോട്ടീസ്സു വേണം.

മിസ്റ്റർ പുത്തൂർ അച്യുതമേനോൻ: കൈകൊട്ടിക്കളി എല്ലാ ഗേംസു് സ്കൂളുകളിലും നടത്തിവരുന്നുണ്ടോ?

റാവുസാഹിബ്ബു് ഐ. എൻ. മേനോൻ: എല്ലാ സ്കൂളുകളിലും അതിനു പ്രൊവിഷനുണ്ടു്. എലിമെണ്ടറി സ്കൂളുകളിൽ ഇതിനു പ്രൊവിഷനില്ല.

മിസ്റ്റർ പുത്തൂർ അച്യുതമേനോൻ: എല്ലാ ലോവർ സെക്കണ്ടറി സ്കൂളുകളിലും ഹൈസ്കൂളുകളിലും ഇതു നടത്തിവരുന്നുണ്ടോ എന്നു ദയവായി അന്വേഷിക്കാമോ?

റാവു സാഹിബ്ബു് ഐ. എൻ. മേനോൻ: ദയവായി അന്വേഷിക്കാം.

മിസ്റ്റർ പുത്തൂർ അച്യുതമേനോൻ: ആനിവേഴ്സറിക്കു കളിയുണ്ടോ എന്നു് അന്വേഷിച്ചാൽ പോരാ.

റാവുസാഹിബ്ബു് ഐ. എൻ. മേനോൻ: എല്ലാ സ്കൂളുകളിലേയും ആനിവേഴ്സറിക്കു് അന്വേഷിക്കുവാൻ വിഷമമാണു്. വേറെ ഏതെങ്കിലും ഒരു ദിവസം പോയി അന്വേഷിക്കാം.

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